

2015 TOWN OF FAIRFAX

SELECTBOARD MEETING MONDAY MAY 4, 2015 7:00 PM

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<u>Selectboard Members Present:</u> Tom Fontaine, Chair, Lauri Fisher, Vice-Chair, Peter King, Randy DeVine, and Leebeth Ann Lemieux.

<u>Public Present:</u> Barb Murphy, State Representative, Sally Sweet and Peggy Gilbert, Suzannah Chamberlin and Roberta Rodimer.

Staff Present: D. Jay Leach, Road Foreman.

Call to Order: Tom called the meeting to order promptly at 7:00 p.m.

Minutes:

4.20.15 - Leebeth made the motion to accept the minutes as written seconded by Peter. The motion carried with a vote of 3-0. (Randy, Peter and Leebeth.)

<u>Payroll and Order Warrants:</u> Leebeth reviewed the payroll and order warrants, which were approved by the Board.

Public Comment: N/A

D. Jay Leach, Road Foreman:

D. Jay is here for a monthly review of activity in the highway department. He has been acquiring quotes for a new loader either to purchase or lease, as requested by the Board at the meeting of 4.20.15. He presented the quotes to the Board for their review. A discussion ensued on the condition of the current loader. No action taken on this at this time. F.W. Webb will deliver culverts tomorrow. D. Jay expects the cost of the culverts to be about the same as last year. The plow equipment has been removed from the trucks. D. Jay has been receiving requests from residents asking to apply chloride on the roads due to the dust from the dry weather. He has put water down on some roads to help alleviate the amount of dust. D. Jay informed the Board that the price of gravel is up and that he no longer has a supplier in Fairfax.

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Randy DeVine, Utility Superintendent:

Randy reviewed his activities for the month of April with the Board. Spring clean-up at the plant has been taking place picking up tree limbs and debris. He prepared the lawn-mower for summer use, which needed a new battery. Randy had a discussion with Ken Yelsey, State of Vermont hydrologist, on water allocations. The current gallons per minute per bedroom are 150 gallons. It was the consensus of the discussion that maybe the figure per bedroom was too high. The Agency of Natural Resources did an inspection of the plant, which received a rating of 4 out of 5 (5 being excellent). The "disconnects" for water are caught up. Lagoon #2 is being aerated. Randy talked to Amy, Utility Manager, on purchasing new aeration tubing at a cost of \$4,600.00. A tree was cut down on Maple Street by a professional tree surgeon for which Green Mountain Power took responsibility of. Manhole repairs will continue this summer.

Other Business:

- 1. A letter was received from Jodi Wheeler, Recreation Director, dated 4.29.15, requesting a road closure for the $15^{\rm th}$ Annual Egg Run, Saturday August $1^{\rm st}$ from 8:30 am. 10:30 am. The Board approved the road closure requesting Jodi notify the appropriate personnel as stated in the Road Closure Policy.
- 2. Road Closure Policy an updated version of the policy will be reviewed at the 5.18.15 meeting.
- 3. Bessette Road The Board is looking into discontinuing a portion of Bessette Road. Certified letters will be sent to interested parties, abutters and the Town of Fairfield. A site visit will be held on June 9^{th} , a Tuesday at 3 pm. with the hearing scheduled for 6 pm. the same day.
- 4. Duffy's letter, dated 3.3.15, regarding Act 148 was again discussed. Tom will take the lead on this by talking to Duffy's. A follow-up letter will be sent as to the expectations the Board has with Duffy's in helping the town with the requirements of Act 148.
- 5. Baptist Building Lauri talked to the various parties attending the meeting in regards to the Memorandum of Understanding vs. a Purchase and Sales Agreement. She will work on the MOU and send out a draft to all interested parties. (Baptist Trustees, CFC, Recreation Department/Commission et al.)
- 6. The orders and payroll warrant schedule was updated through June 29th.
- 7. The Constable position will be put on hold and addressed at a later date.
- 8. Tom signed two documents: Municipal Complete Streets Compliance Form and the Union Bank for employees with direct deposit.

Adjourn:

Peter made the motion to adjourn the 5.4.15 meeting at 8:29 pm., which was seconded by Lauri. All were in favor vote 5-0.

The minutes were respectfully submitted by Stacy Wells, Adm. Asst. to the Selectboard.

Tom Fontaine, Chair Fairfax Selectboard

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